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BOND OF AN ALPHA, BETA-UNSATURATED KETONE USING THE

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Responsive to the action mailed May 5, 2003, applicant elects the invention of Group I, claims 1-3, 16, 17 and 23, drawn to isolated enone reductase polypeptides and further elect the invention of Group (A) the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2, or the nucleic acid of SEQ ID NO:1. The election is made without traverse.

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